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Suggested Plan for the Systematic Development

REFERENCE : Secret Dispatch No. 451 from American Embassy at Bangkok, Thailand, dated 30 December 1949, Subject as above, with Enclosure.

1. ORE believes that the proposal outlined in the reference has great possibilities for the development of new sources of intelligence information. It is felt that every effort should be made by CIA to cooperate with the State Department and Foreign Service in investigating all aspects of this matter, so that the fullest possible advantage can be taken of the opportunities inherent in this situation.

2. ORE believes that, as a preliminary step, COAPS should informally ascertain the viewpoints of OSC, OSI, and ORE, so as to provide the information needed in discussing this matter with the Department of State.

3. It is therefore recommended that you ask OSC, OSI and ORE to attend an informal conference under your chairmanship, for the purpose of establishing the desired CIA position to be taken on this proposal.

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